

In the Matter of )  
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Implementing a Nationwide, Broadband, ) PS Docket No. 06-229  
Interoperable Public Safety Network in the 700 )  
MHz Band )

# 700 MHz PUBLIC SAFETY BROADBAND QUARTERLY REPORT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

*Planning.* The District has kicked off a region-wide planning process covering all six states in FEMA Region III: Delaware, the District, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Virginia and West Virginia. This planning will continue through most of this year. Though the District did design a leveraged network architecture and deployment model in connection with its application for federal stimulus grant funding, it will be unable to solidify such plans unless and until it identifies alternative funding. Issuance of any request for proposals would of course have to wait until funding is available.

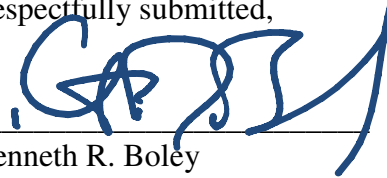
*Deployment.* Devices of the type required by the District (LTE in Band Class 14, as well as commercial 3G and 4G capabilities) are not yet available in the marketplace.

<sup>1</sup> *In the Matter of Requests for Waiver of Various Petitioners to Allow the Establishment of 700 MHz Interoperable Public Safety Wireless Broadband Networks*, PS Docket No. 06-229, FCC 10-79 (May 12, 2010) (“*Waiver Order*”), ¶ 64.

The District is attempting to identify funds to provide user devices for an initial deployment of 3,000 first responders.

The District already has 12 sites fully prepared as a result of its earlier 700 MHz broadband pilot initiatives (Flarion OFDMA and Alcatel-Lucent EVDO Rev. A). As part of the leveraged network model, the District would also locate base stations at sites where a commercial carrier is already deploying LTE equipment; no new site builds are contemplated. Until the District receives funding and executes a procurement vehicle, it will not know for sure which sites it will use.

Respectfully submitted,



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